



Weekly Information & Communication



August 15, 2016

Take a Peek Inside the 2016 Nutrition Education & Breastfeeding Promotion Conference Agenda

For those of you who are registered for the NWA Nutrition and Breastfeeding Promotion Conference, you can now view the [final agenda](#). Take a peek inside and read through the agenda and you will find that the program embodies this year's conference theme, The Real Value of WIC: Embracing Motherhood! The program subcommittee has outlined a seamless narrative for each of the four tracks: Nutrition Education, Breastfeeding Promotion/Support, Best Practices, and Special Projects/Research.

Price Survey Distribution:

Just a reminder for all of the LARCS: The state office distributed price surveys to all of the retailers the week of August 8th. These surveys will be due no later than September 15th. Please encourage to complete them in a timely manner. All retail representatives are welcome to contact Alex Long @ (406)444-4746 or email along@mt.gov with any questions.

Listening Sessions at the Nutrition Education & Breastfeeding Promotion Conference

09/08: 9:30-10:30 am, 2:30 – 3:30 pm

09/09: 2:00 – 3:00 pm

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service is developing a brand new training curriculum for the **WIC Designated Breastfeeding Expert** through a cooperative agreement with Every Mother, Inc. and a host of important partners. The project team would like to know YOUR ideas so we can be sure this new curriculum will meet your needs. There will be 3 Listening Sessions during the conference, but you must register to attend one. The times for the sessions will not overlap other breakout or plenary sessions. Click [here](#) for details.

RD position posting at Lewis and Clark County Public Health

Click [here](#) for details about the position. The position closes on 8/25.

New Education Handout

We are pleased to share with you the [attached document](#) "*Human Milk Storage Guidelines for Use in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)*." FNS developed this document to assist WIC State and local agency staff in their efforts to share information with WIC participants in how to safely and appropriately store human milk. This new education handout will be posted to the WICWorks website shortly.

Missoula County Outreach

The Missoula WIC Agency completed numerous outreach activities which included contacting family resource centers in each school, advertising in local newspapers, and sending outreach packets to over 30 agencies they work with, including medical centers, pediatric dentists, and childcare centers. Their most successful outreach event is the two and a half day Head Start Screening in August that parents are required to attend. Parents must get an initial from each table at the screening to show they have visited, and therefore they are able to speak with all parents/guardians.

VENA Webinar

Pennsylvania WIC will present: *The Role of Technology in VENA...To Think or Not to Think?* This training will be on August 25th, 2016 from 2-3 PM ET. If you are interested in this training please see the [attached information](#).

Reports

[Benefits Issues and Redeemed June 2016](#), [Breastfeeding and Peer Counselor Report July 2016](#), [Program Participation Report July 2016](#)

Weekly Risk Code Highlight

[Risk Code 355](#), Lactose Intolerance is the syndrome of one or more of the following: diarrhea, abdominal pain, flatulence, and/or bloating that occur after lactose ingestion.

Presence of condition is diagnosed, documented, or reported by a physician or someone working under a physician's orders, or as self-reported by applicant/participant/caregiver.

Grandparents Raising Children

The **Montana Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Project** has received a grant from the Montana Children's Trust Fund that allows us to offer a support/education group facilitator training for both new and existing facilitators. This training is scheduled for Wednesday & Thursday, October 5-6 in Lewistown. In addition to learning how to teach the *Parenting A Second Time Around* (PASTA) workshops in your community, this training will feature special guests discussing **kinship legal issues** and the **ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Study**. Participants of this training will be expected to teach the PASTA workshops in their community at least once before June, 2017. Scholarships are available to assist agency/organization staff to attend the training. Click [here](#) for details.

Fresh Baby Contest

Fresh Baby provides nutrition education materials. You have seen their plates for My Plate and even some of their infant feeding items. They are holding a contest for a \$100 Fresh Baby online gift card for three [winners](#). The more you enter the more chances to win. And we did so well in the Leading Lady contest, who knows what will happen in this contest.

More Leading Lady Winners

After the article in the August 8th newsletter, we received more information. Cascade WIC, Beaverhead WIC, and Lincoln WIC also won Leading Lady nursing bras covers and/or tanks. Wow, that makes for winners in Montana alone. Congratulations.

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